





sfx: school chime





SHE GOES  
TO LABS ON  
HER OWN  
TOO.



AND  
SHE SHITS  
HERSELF UP  
IN THE REST-  
ROOM WITHOUT  
COMING OUT  
DURING  
BREAKS.



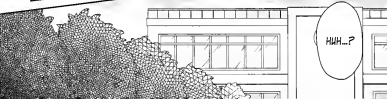
I WONDER  
IF SOMETHING  
HAPPENED.

*absentminded*

EVEN  
WHEN I  
TALK TO HER,  
SHE SEEMS  
TO BE IN  
ANOTHER  
WORLD.

IT'S LIKE  
SHE ISN'T THE  
USUAL AKU-  
CHAN.







LOVE.

IT'S,  
WITH-  
OUT A  
DOUBT,

Huh?

Aku-  
chan?

AKU-CHAN  
HAS  
KINDA...

STARTED  
FEELING DOWN  
EVER SINCE  
THE PRACTICE  
MATCH FROM  
THE OTHER  
DAY.

IS THAT  
SO...?

BUT,  
CER-  
TAINLY..!









SHAKE  
SHAKE

NO, IT  
CAN'T  
BE.



LET US  
CONDUCT  
RESEARCH IN  
ORDER TO MAKE  
AKU-CHAN'S  
LOVE BEAR  
FRUIT.

AND  
SO,







SO YOU  
DO WANT  
TO HAVE  
FUN.

AND  
WE'LL  
HAVE FUN  
TOO.

WE WANT  
TO ASSIST  
AKU-CHAN  
WITHOUT HER  
KNOWING IT,  
RIGHT?



FIRST  
OFF,  
THE  
PEOPLE WHO  
ATTENDED  
SCHOOL ON  
THE DAY  
OF THAT  
PRACTICE  
MATCH.



AFTER  
IT WAS  
OVER.

AND, THE  
PEOPLE WHO  
RECENTLY  
STAYED AT  
SCHOOL.



I'M SURE  
HE WILL BE  
IN A PLACE  
YOU CAN  
SEE FROM  
THE MAIN  
GATE!



WHEN  
WE LOOK  
AT THE BIG  
PICTURE...

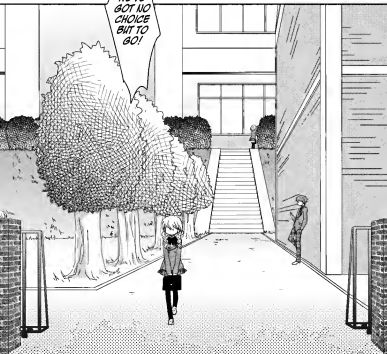
Emergency over  
meeting

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OKAY!

WE'VE  
GOT NO  
CHOICE  
BUT TO  
GO!







THIS  
REALLY  
FEELS LIKE  
IT HAS NO  
BASIS AT  
ALL.

THEY  
PREFER  
MANLY  
ONES.

FOR CUTE  
GIRLS, I  
BELIEVE THAT,  
RATHER THAN  
CUTE BOYS,

THIS IS  
PRETTY MUCH  
PERSONAL  
JUDGMENT  
AND PREFER-  
ENCE, BUT..



MIGHT  
BE THAT  
PERSON...



LIKE THAT  
PERSON?

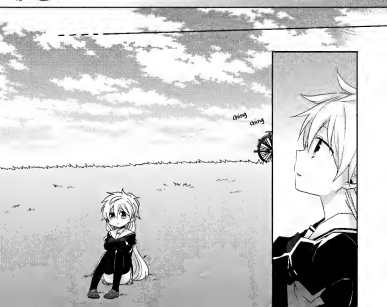


WELL,  
SINCE THEY  
ARE SPORTS  
CLUBS, IT  
DOES HOLD  
SOME  
TRUTH.



ISN'T  
IT THAT  
PERSON!











STOP  
I-

THIS  
ISN'T  
LIKE THE  
USUAL  
AKU-  
CHAN!

THERE'S  
NO POINT  
IN ARGUING  
OVER IT!



LET'S  
GO, AKU-  
CHAN.



DID  
THEY  
REALLY  
FIND  
OUT?

WHAT?

WHY...

WHY?!

NOTHING  
VENTURED,  
NOTHING  
GAINED!

THAT'S  
RIGHT.

ANYWAY,  
YOU NEED  
TO TAKE  
SOME  
ACTION.

WHAT?







HOW-  
EVER,



HAVE  
TO FORCE  
YOURSELF TO  
TELL US.



!



FEEL FREE  
TO TELL US  
ANYTIME.



IF THERE'S  
SOMETHING  
THAT  
TROUBLES  
YOU,

OR IF  
THERE'S  
SOME-  
THING THAT  
WEIGHS  
ON YOUR  
MIND...







HOW  
STUPID.

WELCOME  
HOME.

WE'RE  
GOING  
TO HAVE  
DINNER  
RIGHT  
AWAY.

UNDER-  
STOOD.

I'M  
HOME.

IT FEELS  
LIKE...

COME ON,  
HURRY UP AND  
COME DOWN-  
STAIRS.

OAAAAY.

LOOKS LIKE  
SOMETHING  
GOOD HAS  
HAPPENED.

I'M  
COMING  
NOW.

